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# Town Crier

of  
Wilmington

**VESPER SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY  
IN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
The annual Vesper Service of the Congregational Church is to be held at 4:30 Sunday afternoon.  
A delightful program of instrumental music, with the choir singing various folk carols of different nations, will be climaxed with the solemnity of a Candle Light Service.

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TOWN CRIER SAVED WILMINGTON \$400,000

## GLEN RD SCHOOL COST UNDER \$375,000

The Off-Glen Road School may cost the Town of Wilmington less than \$375,000, according to preliminary figures which were calculated Tuesday evening, after the opening of bids for the construction of the building.

Thirteen general contractors submitted bids which ranged from a high of \$356,000 to a low of \$289,000 - submitted by Scaldini, Inc. of Medford.

The number and surprising range of bidding indicated the unusual competitive interest shown by contractors in the school.

Adding to the lowest bid an estimated \$71,000 for site clearance, sewerage, road, water, parking area, architects and engineering fees and alternates, the total cost would come to \$373,457, comfortably under the \$400,000 limit established by the town vote, and which the committee promised not to exceed.

Four bidders were very close for second place, being in a price range of \$308,000 to \$310,500.

Construction of the school is to start immediately after the architects, Valtz & Kimberly and the permanent Building Committee have checked the figures, and awarded the contract.

Because the committee has already sub-contracted for the construction of the road into the site, the stripping and clearing of the site, and the laying of water mains, this will permit the General Contractor to start work immediately after the award has been made. The committee is confident that the school will be completed by the target date of Sept 15, 1959.

### List of Bidders

\$289,829. Scaldini, Inc. Medford  
\$308,000. O. D. Purington, East Providence, RI.  
\$310,418. Grande & Son, Malden  
\$310,485. Walsh Construction, Salem  
\$310,600. Leonard Rugo, Boston.  
\$317,000. Columbia Construction, Malden  
\$323,900. Norman Foster, Lynn.  
\$324,000. Sciaba & Co. Boston.  
\$326,650. Mozzicato Construction, Co. Medford.  
\$327,000. Sawyer Construction Inc. Burlington  
\$338,901. Frasco Construction Co. Lynn  
\$342,797. Morris & Son, Lowell  
\$356,600. Margill Construction Co. Brighton.

### ST THOMAS CHURCH TO BUILD PARISH SCHOOL

St. Thomas Church is to build a parish school, Father Edward Croke, Pastor, announced last Sunday.

A 16 room building is planned to be erected in the field adjacent to Villanova Hall. No estimates of costs, or date of erection has yet been decided. The church, for some time has been faced with the problem of choosing between a new church building, or a school. Plans are being made, according to Father Croke, to en-



### CLIFF HUPPER SITS ALONE

Cliff Hupper, West Street, (white coat) foreground, sat alone, at the hearing for his proposed airport, last Monday night, while his neighbors and friends opposed the proposition. There was nothing unfriendly, but his neighbors just didn't like the idea. Charles Haines (hands folded at chin) led the opposition.

The Hearing Examiner told the group that the State would not assist in attempts to break the Zoning Laws, and ex TM Courtney, TM Calabrese and Danny Gillis of the Planning Board told the Examiner that this would be a violation of the Zoning Laws.

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large the present church, by expanding the main floor, on the south side. It is believed that upwards of 300 communicants of the church will then be able to be seated, for services.

Father Croke believes that the enlargement of St. Thomas will be sufficient to care for the increase in numbers for the next ten years.

### ORPHANS FROM LOWELL TO BE GUESTS OF WWC

The West Wilmington Community Club, next Saturday afternoon is to be hosts to about 50 orphans, from the France-American Orphanage (St. Joseph's) in Lowell.

A Christmas party will be held in the High School cafeteria for the youngsters, with members of the Club providing transportation for the youngsters.

Expenses for the party have been donated by the people of West Wilmington.

The Wilmington Ford Agency is buying the gifts for the children.

### TANNER & DONOHUE WANT PERMANENT REGISTRY OFFICE IN WOBURN

Representative Frank Tanner (R) of Reading, and Representative Tom Donohue (D) of Woburn have jointly filed a bill in the State Legislature which would ask the Registry of Motor Vehicles to maintain a permanent office in Woburn.

### ANTI-FLUORIDATION BILL FILED IN STATE HOUSE

Representative Donohue, of Woburn, acting on request of citizens of Reading and Wilmington, has filed bills for the 1959 session of the Legislature which will call for a vote in the two towns, on the question of fluoridation of the water supplies of the two

towns.

The Wilmington bill was signed by a number of persons. Requesting the legislation was James O'Neil, of Cypress St.

### BILL FILED TO GIVE WILMINGTON REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

Representative Tom Donohue, of Woburn, has filed, for the 1959 Acts of the Legislature a bill which would give Wilmington a Representative type of government, one in which elected Town Representatives would represent the rest of the voters, in Town Meeting.

Donohue reports that he filed the bill at the request of Edward Aranella, and others, all residents of Wilton Drive, off Shawshen Avenue.

He was not certain of the details, but believes that it is filed to provide another type of government if the people of Wilmington should vote out the Town Manager plan. As Donohue understood it, the new bill would not be considered by the Legislature until after the coming annual Town Meeting, in March.

### SELECTMAN HAGERTY PROPOSES TO REGRADE SALEM STREET NEAR NORTH READING LINE

Selectman Frank Hagerty, Monday evening proposed to the Board of Selectmen that they consider regrading Salem Street from Martin's Brook to the No. Reading line.

Pointing out that there were old gravel pits on each side of the highway, Hagerty felt that the town could advantageously change the grade of the highway so as to make the grade less steep.

Town Manager Calabrese concurred, as did other Selectmen in the wisdom of investigating the idea. Calabrese told the Selectmen that it might be pos-

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### SELECTMEN HIT ROCK BOTTOM

## ASK STATE FOR GRAVEL LAW

### TANNER FILES BILLS TO REGULATE GRAVEL PITS

In behalf of the Selectmen of Wilmington, Repr. Frank Tanner of Reading has filed two bills in the Legislature, for consideration in the coming session (starting Jan. 7th) which seeks to give towns more power on the control of gravel pit operations.

The Selectmen of Wilmington have found them selves powerless to stop operations at a gravel pit, in North Wilmington (the former Van Steensburg pit). The present operator is digging a large lake, much to the distress of the board, who cannot take action against him under the Zoning Laws, because the pit was in operation before the Zoning Law was adopted by the town.

To Extend Zoning Ordinances One of the bills filed would extend the applicability of Zoning Ordinances to land from which loam, sand, or gravel is being removed. It reads:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws, as appearing in Chapter 368, Section 2 of the Acts of 1954, is hereby amended by adding to the first sentence the following: -or to the further removal of soil, loam sand or gravel from land not in public use even though such land was being used for such removal at the time of the adoption of said ordinance or by-law.

Chapter 40A, Section 5, which the act seeks to amend reads:

'Except as provided in Section 11, a zoning ordinance or

by-law or any amendment thereof, shall not apply to existing buildings or structures, nor to the existing use of any building or structure, or of land to the extent to which it is used at the time of the adoption of the ordinance or by-law, but it shall apply to any change of use thereof and to any alteration of a building or structure when the same would amount to reconstruction extension or structural change and to any alteration of a building or structure to provide for its use for a purpose or in a manner substantially different from the use to which it was put before its alteration, or for its use for the same purpose to a substantially greater extent or to the further removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from land not in public use even though such land was being used for the purpose of such removal at the time of the adoption of said ordinance or by-law. Such an ordinance or by-law may regulate non-use or non-conforming uses; provided, that no such ordinance or by-law shall

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## FIRE SAFETY IN OUR SCHOOLS

The recent Chicago disaster, in a parochial  
school has led some of the ladies in Wilmington  
to express their concern about the condition of  
the Wilmington Schools. Several of the Mother's  
clubs are understood to be talking about the  
subject, and preparing to ask for an investi-  
gation.

Like other public buildings, the Wilmington  
Public Schools are subjected to periodical  
checks by the Department of Public Safety.

In 1953, as a result of recommendations,  
changes were made in some of our school build-  
ings - a fire escape to the second floor of the  
Walker School, one to the main floor, in back,  
of the Swain School, and the closing of a par-  
tition on the second floor of the Whitefield  
School, so that pupils could go from one room  
to another, and thus to the stairways without  
having to face any possible open flames in the  
hall.

Perhaps it might be wise to enquire into the  
possibility of fire escapes, for the second  
floor of the Swain School, and the Whitefield  
School. They may not be needed, but asking  
questions can do no harm.

## THE OFF-GLEN ROAD SCHOOL

Wilmington is going to be proud of the new  
Glen Road School. Quality and Economy are the  
most descriptive words we can think of, after  
reviewing the finished plans.

It is interesting to note that the archi-  
tects, Valtz & Kimberly, have had a number of  
inquiries from other towns, as a result of the  
story that appeared in the Boston Globe. It  
could well happen that Wilmington will again  
lead the way, in Massachusetts, to solving a  
serious municipal problem.

For solving a problem we have done. We are  
building, at approximately \$1000 per pupil, a  
school at half the cost of the state average,  
one of the least expensive in years, and de-  
finitely the least expensive of the quality  
schools.

We are pleased, incidentally, to note that in  
Lexington, where a much more expensive school  
is being built, trapezoidal classrooms have  
been deliberately been adopted, by the con-  
struction of false walls, in order to achieve  
the best acoustical quality. Such a fact is a  
reply to some of the criticism that the design  
was for efficiency, rather than for educational  
needs.

There are several changes which are note-  
worthy. The kitchen has been moved back to the  
interior core, as part of the cafeteria. This  
was a result of the request of the School Com-  
mittee, in and before the Town Meeting.

A third exit has been provided, so that now  
no classroom is more than two doors from an  
exterior exit.

Originally there was to be tinted glass, but  
this feature has been eliminated. The Super-  
intendent of Schools desired manually operated  
Venetian blinds for each classroom, and the  
Building Committee felt that nothing was to be  
gained by spending money for both Venetian  
blinds, and tinted glass too.

The school will be easy on the town's pocket  
book. Glazed tile, in every room, to tackboard  
and chalkboard height, and glazed tile to the  
ceilings, in kitchen and toilets, will ease the  
maintenance schedule.

Compared to the High School, and the Wild-  
wood School, the interior finish will be even  
better.

The new school will be warm, comfortable, and  
something of which the town can be proud.

## WHY CHANGE

It was our good fortune in life to first en-  
ter the portals of Wilmington High School back  
in 1923, back in the days when what is now the

SUSIE'S

SONNETS



## FORECAST

December's here, and listen, Bub,

We hope you joined a Christmas club.

Or else you'll find that you will lack

The where-with-all to buy your grub.

Swain School was an imposing building, albeit  
the lawn, each spring, was covered with bil-  
lions of dandelions.

There were about 160 pupils in the High  
School including eighth graders, and the grad-  
uating class used to number about a dozen pu-  
pils. But it was a busy school.

There was a Glee Club, eight students. There  
was a Dramatic Club, which annually produced  
not a Drama, but a comedy, which was pre-  
sented in the Grange Hall, with practically e-  
veryone in town in the audience. Ask any old-  
timer, and he will tell you that he never  
laughed so much as when the Dramatic Club pre-  
sented "The Dutch Detective" back in 1925.

We had a football team too, with eleven can-  
didates turning out each year - all automati-  
cally assured of a place on the team, but no  
one could afford to be injured during a game.

And we had a Cadet Corps, armed to the teeth  
with Civil War vintage Springfield rifles - they  
would be Collectors Items today.

But most of all, Wilmington High School had  
a paper - The Alpha (ie The Beginning).

It was printed weekly. Fred Lowell, a print-  
er in Wilmington printed it for a while, and  
for a while it was printed by the Wakefield I-  
tem.

The Alpha, named by the pupils, was one of  
the most unique papers ever published in the  
United States. In so far as we know, no other  
High School in this country has ever essayed  
printing a paper on a weekly basis. It is, we  
believe, an accomplishment that was ours, and  
ours alone.

To be Editor of The Alpha was a distinct  
honor in those days, for the paper had a high  
intellectual level, and was read in every home  
in Wilmington. Merchants advertised in that pa-  
per. The students were the reporters, the sale-  
smen, and, with an assist from Miss Marland,  
conducted the entire business of the paper.

Why do we get nostalgic about the Alpha, to-  
day? Simply because, at this time, it is ser-  
iously proposed to change the name. The pupils  
are voting on a new name for this once glorious  
paper.

## Why Change?

The reasoning is that a new name may inspire  
the pupils to a greater effort.

A better inspiration, possibly, would be to  
tell the pupils about the paper that used to be  
in Wilmington High School, the paper called The  
Alpha, which every home had to have, each week.

Inspire the pupils - Yes. But not by junking  
a Glorious Tradition.

## TOWN NOTES

### Cold Snap

We have had a cold snap, to  
start the month of December,  
not one in which the thermo-  
meter plunged to record lows,  
but one that hung on for a few  
days, provided good skating  
for the kiddoes, and froze up  
the ground, so that when the  
snow arrives in quantity it  
will really stay.

There was 1 1/2 inches of snow  
on Dec 3rd, followed by a two  
day warmer spell, just over  
freezing, with sunshine, so  
that the snow disappeared. But  
for a day or so everything was  
white, albeit a dirty white.

So far the rainfall for Dec-  
ember is .99 inches.

### Skidding

Every little snow dusting  
brings its skidding accidents,  
and Wilmington has had its  
share in the past week. Per-  
haps the only places that  
think there is any humor to it  
are the local garages.

### The Cook

Perhaps not too many Wilming-  
ton residents knew Master Sgt.  
Henry Phillipone, who was bur-  
ied last Saturday. It was our  
pleasure to have met the gen-  
tleman on a number of occa-  
sions.

A little grizzled looking man  
he had served 30 years in the  
Army, and then moved to Wil-  
mington because his son lived  
here. He immediately became an  
unofficial cook, at the local  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post,  
and proved to be a host par-  
excellence.

As we say, he wasn't widely  
known in Wilmington, but he  
certainly was appreciated by  
the people who knew him.

### The Hearing

Pardon us, but we like Public  
Hearings that tend to be short  
and snappy. Perhaps everyone  
doesn't get his chance to talk  
if it is too much so, but such  
a hearing is much better than  
one that drags on and on.

That was the trouble, Monday  
night. A number of residents  
of Suncrest Acres, and a few  
interested citizens were pre-  
sent.

Time, it must be said, hung  
heavily over the assemblage.  
The hearing wasn't over until  
9:30 and in spite of the fact  
that everyone was interested  
there were plenty of bored  
people present.

### Wilmington-Tewksbury Hall?

Readers of an out of town pa-  
per, last Sunday, may have  
been amused to read a very  
serious discussion about our  
Permanent Building Committee,  
and its proposals re Town Hall  
and Police Station.

The paper reported that the  
Committee wanted to talk about  
building a new Town Hall, on  
the site of the Foster School,  
which, of course, is in Tewks-  
bury.

It would be very nice of Wil-  
mington, sez we, to do this.

### Where's Hanke?

The same column, later on,  
in some manner, evidently bur-  
ied Erwin Hanke six feet under  
or sent him to Florida, or  
something, for it reported the  
Chairman of the committee  
being Paul Niles.

Niles, of course is flattered  
but the Committee now wants to  
know what he has done with  
Hanke. So do we!

### SCUBAS

Every now and then we dis-  
cover something that our un-  
derwater swimmers 'frog-men'  
are doing, such as exploring  
old muddy ponds and quarries  
or inventing a diving helmet  
with Mestiphoelian horns, all  
of which may be described as  
charming.

Now our SCUBA club is coming  
up with something different,  
and something that people o-  
ther than themselves can enjoy

They have obtained the Award  
Winning Film 'The Silent  
World', that being the one  
made by Costeau, a Frenchman,  
of underwater diving in, we  
believe, the Red Sea.



We read the book. Now we are  
looking forward to seeing the  
picture, right here in Wil-  
mington.

We can't tell where, though.  
That would be an advertisement

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**TWO APPOINTED TO APPEAL BOARD**

Louis C. Gage, Gowing Road, North Wilmington, was appointed to the Board of Appeals, Monday night, as a full member to take the place of Roland Fuller, resigned.

Anthony Joannides, Clark St. was appointed an Associate Member of the Board of Appeals to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Frank Leavitt, Hathaway Road.

**DONOHUE FILES BILL TO PROTECT CHILDREN**

Representative Tom Donohue, together with Representative Rourke of Lowell has filed a bill in the Legislature to cause owners of abandoned buildings to better protect those buildings from children. Donohue describes the bill as one designed to protect the children from the dangers of fire and vandalism.

**READING UNITARIAN CHURCH**

Cor Woburn St & Summer Ave  
Rev Bruno J Visco, 243 Woburn St Church Office Hours, Tuesday, 9-12 noon. Mrs John D Eisenhaure, Church Secretary.  
Sunday Dec. 14, Sermon, 'Jesus of Nazareth' at 11 a.m.  
6 pm High School LRY meeting  
8:30 College age group to meet at the parsonage.  
Monday, Dec. 15, Jr. High Girl Scouts.  
Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2:30 Girl Scouts.  
Saturday, Dec. 20, 7-9:30 p.m. Jr. High Fellowship Christmas Dance.

**Selectmens Meeting (cont fr Last Week) Civic Center**

Hagerty: We met with the Permanent Building Committee, and they have proposed a Civic Center, near the Urban Renewal area.

They talk about the Walker School - it is still good - good compared to the Center School and the Public Library. With all due respect to the Permanent Building Committee, a shopping center is an accumulation of flat topped buildings with a lot of white striped hot top - can you picture a \$200,000 Town Hall and Library overlooking these flat tops?

Picture, instead, our High School, and our nice common. The site of the Center School would be a much better place for our Civic Center - Town Hall, etc. We are talking, of course, about the future - 6 to 12 years - and where in Wilmington would there be a more beautiful set-up for such a project - we must ask the Permanent Building Committee to look into it.

Kidder: What about parking?  
Hagerty: We own a lot of land in back.

De Felice: I don't agree that a Town Hall shouldn't be in a business district - not that I am necessarily advocating the Adelaide Street site.

Hagerty: It will present no great advantage to people of Wilmington when they go shopping.

Mrs. Drew: It is in Melrose. De Felice: So many ifs, and ands, if we have Urban Renewal -- if we have something else.

Hagerty: This is a traditional New England Town. We want a nice town hall, and in a nice site - we are talking, as I said, 6 or 12 years from now. I have talked to Hanke (chairman of the Building Committee, ed.) He doesn't care where the Police Station is located, just so there is a decision.

Kidder: I can't see a Police Station on that site across from the Fire Station. It will cost \$3000 more, to have the foundations put in, there.

Hagerty: We voted for a Police Station we should build it I don't see any connection with a Town Hall - we are talking public safety. Three years ago we got permission from the Emergency Finance Board to build this ---

**Nichols St Bridge**

The Town Manager, in response to a question from Mrs. Drew reported that the town has contracted to have the watermain built across the Nichols St. Bridge - the railroad had with drawn from the discussion, except that they wanted a flagman there, and would charge the town \$150 a day for him.

Mrs. Drew: \$150 a day? How many days?

TM: 2 or 3 days.  
Kidder: I could quit my job for a job like that.

Hagerty: The railroad is trying to get back part of the cost of the Shawshen Bridge. It then developed, that, after all the delay, the contractor had broken his leg, the day after he was awarded the contract. This brought forth a guffaw from Kidder 'Oh! No!' The TM assured the Selectmen that the work would go on, any way.

**Town Clerk**

Hagerty: The Town Clerk worked 14 1/2 extra hours, on Election day, from 5 am to 4 am. I can't see the justification of her working all that time with out being paid - every one else there, with the exception of the Honorable Selectmen was paid - its a hardship, its unfair.

I have checked - in Burlington the Town Clerk is paid, in Reading yes, and also a salary to those who act as Wardens. In Tewksbury No, in North Reading No. In Wilmington 14 1/2 hours with no pay. No one can complain with the way the elections are conducted - (louder) Why should she work 14 1/2 hours without being paid?

**Budget**

The TM reported to the Selectmen that most of the work for the budget was completed - only items remaining with any big questions being the Highway Department and School Operating Budget.

**Mercato Pit**

A license was granted to Bayer & Mingolla, to operate the old Mercato gravel pit, off

Ballardvale Street. A letter from the Town Engineer assured the Selectmen that all was in order, that the grades etc. had been set. Provisions in the license insure that Bayer &

Mingolla (who have the Contract for Route 93, above Salem Street, will take care of the entire pit, and not just the portion they intend to work in.

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3. Keep all medicines well concealed and out of the reach of children. Their taste buds are not well developed, and the worst tasting medicine might appeal to a child, with disastrous results.

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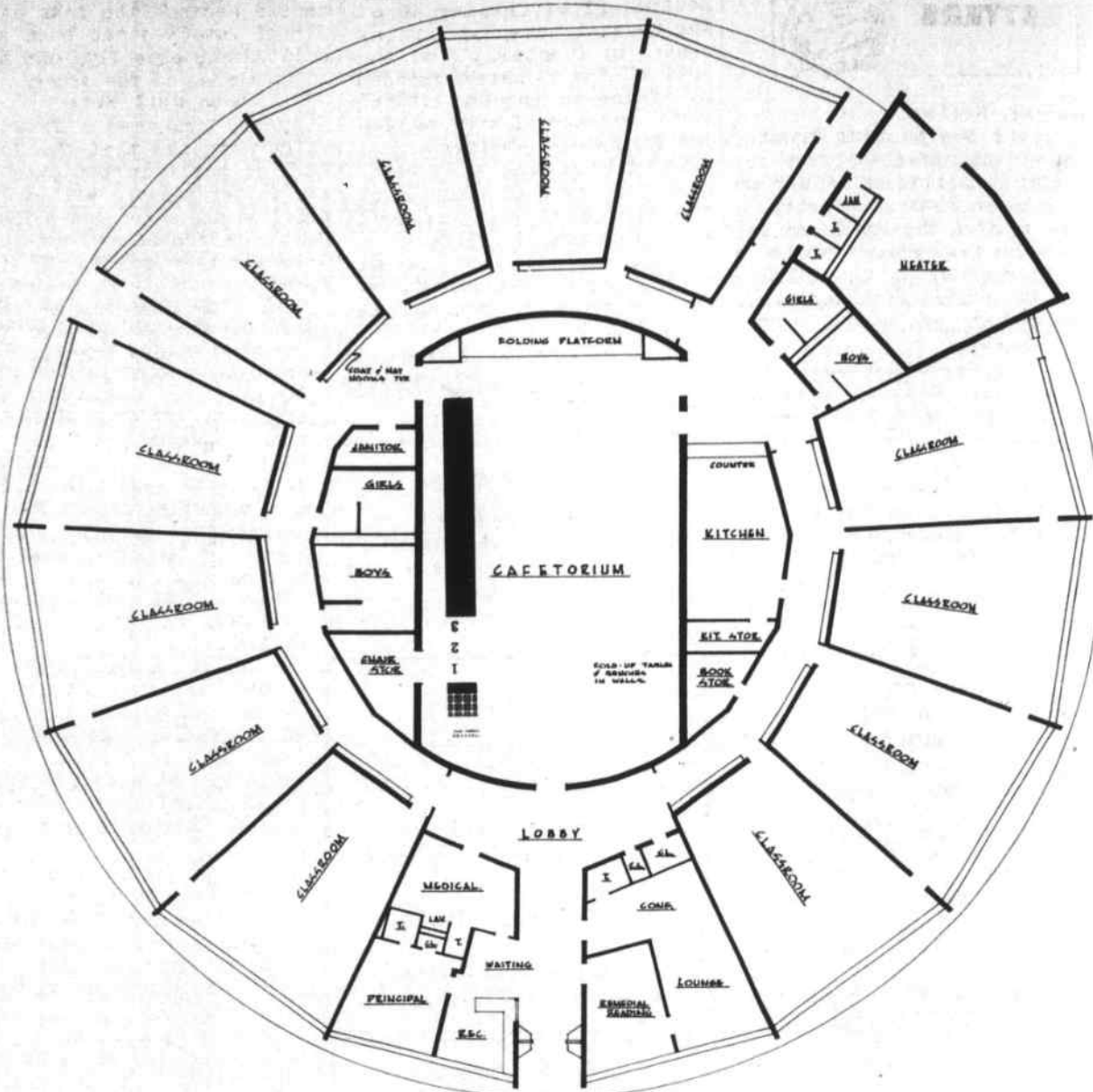
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Week of Dec. 15th

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TUESDAY, Dagwood Juniors,  
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WEDNESDAY, Chicken Croquettes  
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tatoes, Buttered Peas, Bread &  
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THURSDAY, American Chop Suey,  
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Sunday Dec 14th

9:30 am First service of wor-  
ship, Kinderkirk and Church  
School.

11:00 am Second Service of Wor-  
ship, with the Choir, Kinder-  
kirk and Church School.

2:00 - 3:30 pm. Christmas Par-  
ty in Church Vestry, Beginners  
and Primary groups.

4:00 - 6:00 pm. Christmas Par-  
ty in Church Vestry, Juniors  
and Junior High Groups.

5 pm Quaintance Club in Parish  
House.

6:45 PM Fireside Fellowship in  
Parish House.

Monday Dec. 15

8 pm. North Branch Twigs Xmas  
Party in Parish House, with  
North Branch as invited guests

Tuesday Dec. 16

7:30 pm Church Committee meets  
in Parish House.

Wednesday Dec. 17

1 pm. Center Branch Christmas  
luncheon in home of Mrs Gladys  
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8 pm. Choir Rehearsal in Par-  
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Friday Dec. 19

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## LETTERS



Dear Mr. Neilson,

While I bow to your greater experience, your superior reporting abilities, and your well-known memory capacity, I fear that in the month ensuing from the time when I wrote an article on Urban Renewal for the Wilmington Crusader, your memory may have become a trifle clouded.

In your editorial last week in which you did such a masterful job in informing the people of the true facts, you charged that I did not convey the fact that the plan that I obtained from the Housing Authority was not a 'master plan' but 'the plan'. The quotes are yours.

Where you found the words 'master plan' I do not know. Certainly not from my story.

If everyone in Wilmington Square thought that was 'the plan' no one in Wilmington Square bothered to read the paper.

Under the front page presentation of the plan it stated 'Shown is a tentative plan for Wilmington Square under Urban Renewal as submitted by the Housing Authority. Details on Page 2.'

I assume that those in Wilmington Square interested in Urban Renewal would understand the implications of 'a tentative plan'.

On page 2 I said, 'tentative plans for the Urban Renewal program have been submitted to Washington. One of the suggested layouts for the square is shown elsewhere in this paper'. In re-reading the story, I find that in my mind at least, I made it clear whenever I referred to the plans that they were tentative.

Thank you for telling me that the meeting of the Housing Authority and the other town officials was 'off the record'. Since I was not informed of the fact before the meeting, at the meeting, or afterward, I am delighted to know what an honor I received.

Sincerely,  
Esther Moore

*With a bow to the superior writing abilities of Mrs. Moore we wonder why the merchants of Wilmington asked us for explanations of the things she explained so clearly.*

Town Crier, Wilmington, Mass.

As the 1958 campaign for Retarded Children draws to a close we wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to all those who in any way contributed to this worthy cause.

We are deeply grateful to all the solicitors who gave of their time and effort to make this drive a success. All those in Wilmington who contributed will be interested to know that the amount collected from their town exceeded \$1200. The contribution throughout the East Middlesex area was over \$12,000.

The entire membership of the East Middlesex Association for Retarded Children Inc., is sincerely grateful to the people of Wilmington for the splendid spirit and deep concern they have shown toward the cause of Retarded Children.

We personally thank you for your understanding hearts.

Sincerely yours,  
Mr & Mrs Arthur Bureau  
Fund Chairman for Wilmington

#### Gravel Law (fr Fr Pg)

so regulate the non-conforming land used for agriculture, horticulture or floriculture where such non-use has existed for less than 5 years.

#### The Second Bill.

The second bill that Tanner filed, at the request of the Selectmen seeks to clarify the power of cities and towns to regulate the removal of soil, loam, sand and gravel. It reads:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (17) of

Section 21 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as last amended by Chapter 352 of the Acts of 1951 is hereby amended by adding to the end of the first sentence of said section the following: - whether or not said land has been or is being used for any such purpose at the time of the passage of such ordinance or by-law.

SECTION 2. Subsection (17) of Section 21 of Chapter 40, of the General Laws, as last amended by Chapter 352 of the Acts of 1951 is hereby amended by inserting the following sentence between the first and second sentence of said section: -The Superior Court shall have the jurisdiction in equity to compel compliance with any ordinance or by-law made under the provisions of this section.

The section of Chapter 40 which the proposed legislation seeks to amend reads that penalties for breaches -- 'not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense, which may be recovered by indictment or on complaint before a district court, and shall enure to the town or to such uses as it may direct.'

In the proposed legislation the new law would read 'The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction -- The penalty of violation of any ordinance or by-law -- shall be -- for the first offence \$50.00; for the second offence \$100.00; and for each subsequent offence \$200.00'

'Each load of soil, loam, sand or gravel removed in violation of any ordinance or by-law made hereunder shall constitute a separate offence.'

#### Selectmens Meeting (fr Fr Pg)

sible to have the road rebuilt by a contractor who would take the gravel and sand for payment.

#### Other business

TM Calabrese reported that the Federal Housing & Finance authorities had reduced the grant given to Wilmington for sewage planning from \$20,000 to \$19,600. This was done because the Woburn Street sewer had been brought to a successful completion.

Calabrese also reported that the Wilton Park subdivision had been completed to the satisfaction of the Town Engineer, and it was voted to release the bond required on subdivisions. The Selectmen also voted to write a letter to the developer, complimenting him on his work and co-operative attitude.

The \$1000 bond on a gravel pit owned by Bertha Merrill off Chestnut St. was also released after a report from the Town Engineer stated that this had been finished to his satisfaction.

#### Streets

The town received its 1958 contract from the State Department of Public Works, for work on Park Street and Lowell Street. \$12,000 will be repaid to the town, as the state's share (50%) of the cost of the work on these two streets.

Mrs. Drew requested that the Town Manager consider the resurfacing of Glenview, Hilltop and Ledgewood Roads, in Suncrest Acres, for 1959. These streets are among those which were exempted from Betterments when the Betterment plan was adopted.

The only two streets, besides the ones just mentioned, remaining in this list, the Selectmen said were Carolyn Road and Longview Road.

Calabrese reported that one of the last two would cost \$15,000 and could not be done this year, but that the other, and the ones in Suncrest Acres would presumably be done. The sum of money available would be approximately \$20,000.

#### Death Certificates

Selectman Kidder stated that a family which had needed six copies of a death certificate recently had had to pay \$6. He thought this excessive. Hagerly recalled that the previous Town Manager had issued instructions against such a charge, and the Selectmen agreed that the error had been

caused because the town official involved had been appointed subsequently, and had no knowledge of the order.

#### Town Hall Site

Hagerly produced a drawing which proposed that the Town Hall be built on the site of the Center School, with a library on one side, and a Youth Center on the other, together with another building in the rear, and parking in the rear.

Other Selectmen thought that there was not enough room for it and the Swain School, and TM Calabrese pointed out that Middlesex Ave is closed, to protect school children, by the Selectmen.

Putting the Town Hall here, Calabrese pointed out, would increase the dangers of traffic, to school children.

Kidder suggested that the Swain School be considered for eventual conversion to a Town Hall, with the present Town Hall becoming a library.

#### Police Station

The Selectmen voted, after a short discussion to instruct the Permanent Building Committee to erect a police station on the site recommended by the Town Meeting.

Mrs. Drew reminded the board that the Building Committee had said a police station in the site voted would cost \$3000 more. Hagerly thought town could save money, by trucking fill from the town gravel pit, during the winter, but TM Calabrese objected that he would still have to charge for both trucking and fill.

It was agreed that undoubtedly there would be an article in the 1959 town warrant for a new Highway Building.

#### Budget

Calabrese reported that, with one exception, the 1959 budget was now ready for the Selectmen. It was agreed to meet next Tuesday to complete the budget and turn it over to the Finance Committee.

#### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT TO TRADE IN ELECTRIC TYPEWRITERS

The Wilmington School Committee has voted to trade in 10 Electric Typewriters, for new IBM models. The only question remaining for the School Committee to decide is whether or not they will be able to purchase them this year, or next.

The IBM company has offered to replace the ten machines for a total cost of \$500. Involved in the transaction would be 4 two year old models 3 three year old machines, 1 four year old, 1 five year old and 1 seven year old. The five year old machine has a 16 inch carriage, and is valued at \$395, while the others are valued at \$295 each, without taxes.

Superintendent of Schools John Collins told the Committee that the IBM people would be able to sell the old models at a profit, and that at the same time the transaction would be a very good one for the town.

School typewriters are sold to towns and cities without any Federal excise tax. The initial difference in cost between an electric and a mechanical model is about \$110, he told the committee, and after that the same rate of exchange is applicable.

The Wilmington Schools have 60 typewriters, 12 of which are electric. Secretary Henry Sullivan of the School Committee questioned the wisdom of using electric typewriters in classes, saying that in his belief it was a case of 'gilding the lily', and that a girl would quickly learn to use an electric typewriter, on her first job, anyway, if needed.

Other members disagreed, and Collins pointed out that to get employment in AVCO the ability to use an electric typewriter would be handy. AVCO he said, has 400 electric typewriters.

The School Committee decided to purchase the new machines this year, if sufficient funds are available, otherwise to wait until fiscal year 1959.

#### CHANGE IN DATES FOR BOOKMOBILE

The Bookmobile will visit Silver Lake next Tuesday, at 2:45 pm., and Hathaway Acres next Wednesday at 2:30 pm. The schedule was changed because of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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**NORTH WILMINGTON WILL BE 'NO MAN'S LAND' SAYS B&M IF TRAINS CANCELLED**

Commenting on the proposed wholesale cancellation of passenger service, by the Boston & Maine Railroad, one official of the company has stated that North Wilmington will be a 'No Man's Land' if their proposals to abandon passenger service at that station succeed.

Four of the daily trains now stopping at Wilmington will also be dropped, on both inbound and outbound schedules, but Sunday traffic will be increased from four trains to seven, inbound, and six to seven outbound.

The proposed changes will be discussed at 10 am Jan. 5th., in a public hearing in Room 166 in the State House.

B&M officials stated Monday that they did not exactly know when the proposed changes will go into effect, as they could not predict the outcome of the hearing. 'It may take years' one official commented.

In the Selectmen's Meeting, Monday night, TM Calabrese reminded the board that a committee had once been appointed to look into B&M traffic at both North Wilmington, and Wilmington.

Pointing out that 'factual' reports are the only ones that count, Hagerty approved, and Selectman Black observed that the B&M railroad doesn't seem to realize the tremendous growth of Wilmington.

Definite efforts will be made to have a factual count of the commuters, from Wilmington, for presentation at the Public Hearing in Boston.

**'A LAMP UNTO MY PATH' SERMON THEME AT METHODIST CHURCH**

At the service of worship in the Wilmington Methodist Church, Sunday, Dec. 14 at 10:30am the Rev. Richard E. Harding will preach on the theme: 'A Lamp Unto My Path.' This topic is a concluding message dealing with the Significant Symbols of the new church building. Engraved on the front of the lectern is an open bible with a torch interposed over it. The symbol is taken from the text: 'Thy word is a light unto my feet and a lamp unto my path.' Mr. Harding will share with the congregation the influence of the biblical material collected and known by Jesus during his life time, and how such scripture is relevant to our day.

The Senior Choir under the leadership of Mrs. W. T. Staveley will provide the special music for the worship hour. The nursery for infants and small children will be held in the Educational Building in order that parents may attend the service of worship.

**STRINGING LIGHTS ON A COLD COLD DAY**

Members of the Wilmington Junior Chamber of Commerce stringing Christmas lights, in Wilmington Square, on Sunday. On top of the truck is President John Holloway.

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**HOLLY BALL CROWDS**

'The Bread Line' was the joking name which was given to the crowd which stood in the line for the smorgasbord tables, at Villanova Hall, last Friday night. 473

Selectmen Black and Hagerty, and their ladies. 474 Former Postmaster Annie Gallagher has apparently talked her companion to sleep. The bald head in the foreground can be recognized as belonging to Dr. Fagan.

**48 ALTAR BOYS**

Altar Boys of St. Thomas, in front of the Altar, with the Rev. Fathers Croke and Mackin.

Front Row, L to R. Bruce Arnold, Gerry Lawrence, Michael Barry, Leonard Galvin, Jimmy Collins, John Stevens, Larry Zaccagnini, Leonard Zaccagnini, Joseph Castaldo, Edward Gallagher, Tom De Felice, Stephen McNamara and Jack Winters.

Second Row, L to R Gregory Lane, John Baker, John Dromgoole, Robert Given, Frank Stevens, Allan Muise, Jack Tautges, Douglas Crawford, Peter Collins, Stephen Henderson, Phillip Cronis, Paul Reitchel, Bob Maloney.

Row III, L to R. Patrick Lippiello, Allan McGhee, William Whooley, Al Lawrence, Don Marshall, Michael Collins, Michael Luongo, Joseph Tennihan, Thomas Bailey Michael Dolan, and Richard Harper.

Row IV, Keith Arnold, David Babine, Richard Luongo, and John Collins.

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PLANNING SPECIAL CLASS FOR  
'TRAINABLE' YOUNGSTERS**

The School Committee has begun plans for a special class, of 'trainable' children, to be a part of the public schools, beginning next September.

'Trainable' children are defined as those with an Intelligence Quota of between 20 and 50.

There are already two classes for 'Educatable' children, with an IQ of between 50 and 80, in the Center School, having the same hours as the High School classes.

A teacher for a 'Trainable' class must be specially qualified, and receives at a minimum, \$500 more a year than do other teachers. Superintendent of Schools John J. Collins believes that Wilmington will have to pay in the neighborhood of \$5000 for the salary of the teacher.

Part of the teacher's salary, and the cost of 50% of the equipment used will be reimbursed by the state.

The Eastern Middlesex Association for Aid of Retarded Children is active in this area, including Wilmington, and its parent group, the NE Association, assists in the procurement, training, and subsidizing of teachers.

The only available place, in the Wilmington schools, for the class will be in the Roman House.

The law provides that a town or city must provide for a class of 'Trainable' children if there are five or more such students. Wilmington has, at the latest count, four. A teacher may not have more than ten students in a class, which lasts for two hours a day.

Wilmington pupils have been attending a class in Wakefield for which the town has had to pay Wakefield. Collins had explored the possibility of putting pupils in classes in other towns, but could find no place available. Malden, which has such a class, has no room for more pupils, and the taxi fare would have been about \$13 a day (including fare for a child to Wakefield).

**ON THE WAUGHPATH**

Star of the Week

Leo O'Connell III, skating!!  
Holiday on Ice

Two dozen Wilmington skaters made the trip to Lynn Thursday evening to participate in the annual Holiday Ice Carnival. Tuning up for the long season ahead, Nancy Weinberg, Lenny Galvin, Leo O'Connell, and Janet Tighe won both the races in which they competed. Clyde McKaba also won one race, and the list of others who were in the money included Janet Perry and Alice Perry, Elyse Woller, Nancy Hersom, Danny, Drew, and David O'Connell, Ray Lepore, Doty Hersom, Jeff Williamson, Chet Hooper, Patty Fiske, Loretta Plummer, Danny Moegelin, Marie Hersom and Kathy Pushee. All these O'Connells

Leo and Danny O'Connell gave evidence of the nip-and-tuck competitions which they will be staging this winter as they kept swapping first and second positions. Just as bitterly contested were the races which Drew and David O'Connell were waging. How do you tell these players without a scorecard??? Jeff Williamson and Danny Moegelin rate bows for 'most improved since last year.' The clock was Lenny Galvin's only competition when no other Midgets showed up for the meet. Needless to say Lenny was his old self again despite a bout with the flu bug recently.

**Monthly Meeting**

The next monthly meeting for the Wilmington Skating Club is planned for Tuesday, December 16, 1958 at the club house on Chestnut Street. President Leo O'Connell invites anyone interested in any type of skating to attend this meeting. Although prospective figure skaters haven't knocked down the doors of the Club yet, the hockey stalwarts have formed the nucleus of what should be

a very active part of the Wilmington skating scene in the 1958-1959 season.

**Registration Night**

Monday evening, December 15, men of high school age and up who are interested in playing organized hockey are invited to register at the clubhouse on Chestnut Street. There are already 33 men actively forming a local league. More are welcomed.

**ST. THOMAS NEWS**

Masses, Sundays, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, (Church &amp; Hall) and 12. Weekdays, 7 and 7:30 am.

The St. Thomas Choral Group will leave Villanova Hall at 5:45 pm sharp, Friday, in buses only, for the Christmas Carol singing on Boston Common. Next Sunday is Communion Day for the Holy Name Society and the men of the parish.

At 2:30 pm next Sunday the Sacrament of Confirmation will

be administered at the Holy Cross Cathedral for converts and other adults.

Bishop MacKenzie has written us to send a spiritual bouquet to Cardinal Cushing on the occasion of his elevation. We ask each parishioner to hear a Mass, offer a Holy Communion, make a visit, say a Rosary and utter one ejaculation at least, for him.

We have decided to build a parish school, which will be our main objective. In the meantime plans are being made to enlarge and clean the church, and install new electric fixtures.

Gratitude is expressed to all who helped in the success of the Holly Ball, the altar boys' mothers, the patrons and workers, and to Mr. Marshall, who was responsible for the sumptuous menu, and to Mrs. Francis Hagerty, for the decorations.

**ST DOROTHY'S NEWS**

Religious instruction classes are at 6:45 pm Thursday and 9 am Saturday.

Next Saturday is Communion Day for the Holy Name Society and the men of the parish. They will receive Holy Communion in a group at the 7 am Mass.

The CYO will meet Friday at 6:45 at St. Mary's Chapel.

The 1959 Edition of the Catholic Directory is on sale at the reduced price of 75 cents.

**SUNDAY EVENING ADVENT  
SERVICE AT WILMINGTON  
METHODIST CHURCH**

The Rev. Herbert T. Coontz, retired Methodist Minister of the New England Annual Conference will be the inspirational speaker at the third Advent Sunday Evening worship service at 7 p.m. Mr. Coontz will speak on the theme: 'Sharing the Incarnation.' A song service of the familiar carols and hymns will be held during the worship hour. Miss Lulu Sanborn will be the soloist for the service and will sing, 'O Holy Night.'

Members of the Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship will hold their Bible study class at 5:30 p.m. and their meeting at 6:30 p.m. preceding the evening service. They will join with the members of the Older Youth Group in attending the service. The Older Youth Group will have their program at 8pm with Rev. Richard McFarland, Student Pastor speaking to the group on the 'Meaning of Methodism.'

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Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Raymond C. Cole and Dorothy E. Cole of Dover, in the State of Delaware, to register and confirm their title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Wilmington, bounded and described as follows:

Southeasterly by Atlantic Avenue 150 feet; Southwesterly by Beacon Street 150 feet; Northwesterly by land now or formerly of Hazel H. Bump 150 feet; Northeasterly by land now or formerly of George P. Heigle and Anthony Galka 150 feet.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), or in the office of the Assistant Recorder of said Court at the Registry of Deeds at Lowell in the County of Middlesex where a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited, on or before the fifth day of January next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

WITNESS, JOHN E. FENTON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this second day of December in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.

Attest with Seal of said Court.

(Seal)  
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## ENGAGEMENT

Mr and Mrs Stanley R. White of Roosevelt Road announce the engagement of their daughter, Lorraine Nickerson to Roger H. Mills, son of Mr and Mrs Leslie T. Mills of Ferguson Road. Miss White is a graduate of Wilmington High School and is employed by the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Boston.

Mr Mills is a graduate of South Portland High School, South Portland, Maine and has served three years in the U.S. Army. He is now employed locally as a carpenter. An August 29th wedding is planned.

## CARL BACKMAN CLAIMS

BRAINTREE GIRL AS BRIDE  
Miss Anita G. Hassler, daughter of Mr and Mrs Clifton K. Hassler of 19 Cavanaugh Road, Braintree, became the bride of Mr Carl A Backman Jr., son of Mr and Mrs Carl Backman of

Chestnut Street, on Nov. 29th in a ceremony at the home of the bride.

The couple were united in marriage by the Rev. Dr. John P. Robertson.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a street length dress of blue sheer wool, with a white orchid corsage.

Her Maid of Honor was Miss Judy Jackson, of Allentown Pennsylvania, a cousin.

The Best Man was Mr. James D. Tighe, of Chestnut Street, a brother-in-law of the groom.

Mr. Backman, a student at the University of Massachusetts, is a member of the famous 'Flying Backman' family, and has held several North American Skating Championships.

After a short honeymoon trip, the couple returned to Amherst where they are both students, and will be at home to friends at Apartment 1D, Suffolk House until graduation.

**RENE LARIVEE HAS BROKEN ARM**  
Rene Larivee, Concord Street, Director of Civil Defense, suffered a broken arm, while at work last Monday, at the Lynn works of the General Electric.

Larivee's left arm was broken in two places, by a machine in charge of another person. He set the arm himself, before going to the doctor.

## ST DOROTHY'S CYO DANCE

The basketball of St. Dorothy's CYO will hold a dance Friday evening in the Tewksbury Town Hall, with Dick Booth of Tewksbury as Disc Jockey.

The party will be chaperoned by Mr and Mrs Edward J. Sullivan, Mr and Mrs John Sullivan, Mrs Helen Elliot, and Mr. Thomas Abbott.

## HENRY C. FILLIPONE

Members of the Nee-Ellsworth Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars provided an Honor Guard, last Saturday, for the funeral of Henry C. Fillipone, of 36 Hopkins Street.

A retired Master Sergeant of the United States Army, with 30 years service, Mr. Fillipone had made his home in Wilmington since his retirement.

A solemn High Mass of Requiem with Father Tyrell as Celebrant, was conducted in St. Dorothy's Church, at 10 am Saturday, with burial following in the family lot in the Wildwood Cemetery.

Mr. Fillipone, who was 71, was born in Italy, but had been a citizen of the United States for many years. He was a Veteran of World Wars I and II, and the Korean War, being in Germany at the time.

He is survived by his wife Frances, and three children, Henry F. Fillipone of 36 Hopkins Street, Andrew of Revere, and Mrs. Rose Bozzi of Italy.

Funeral arrangements were in charge of W. S. Cavanaugh & son, of Main St. Wilmington.

## JUNIOR &amp; SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

An organizational meeting of parents and teachers of the Junior and Senior High School voted unanimously to become a unit of the Mass. State branch of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The meeting was conducted by Bert Sell, Monday night in the High School cafeteria. Representing the High School were Principal Bernard McMahon and teachers Mr Paul Murphy and Mrs Hazel Taylor. The group elected Mrs Robert Clark temporary chairman and Mrs Joseph Keough temporary secretary.

A complete set of By-Laws were presented and adopted. Charter members were enrolled. A committee of three were elected to bring in a panel of nominees for permanent office. They are Mrs Ken Lyons, Mr Ed. Curtis and Mr Paul Murphy.

Mr McMahon spoke of the need of an active PTA in the Jr & Sr High School and the benefits that can be derived. He pledged all possible assistance and will meet with Mrs Clark to help select and organize room representatives. Four meetings were scheduled during the school season. Each to be preceded by one hour parent-teacher conference.

Immediately upon Mass State PTA approval of the By-Laws, the unit will begin to plan discussions of High School problems; a number of which were mentioned at this meeting.

Refreshments were served by the Hospitality Committee during the social hour following the meeting adjournment.



## DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

**OF NATIONAL POLYCHEMICALS**  
National Polychemicals, Inc. of Eames Street has announced the appointment of Walter P. Hwozdek, of Independence Ave. Tewksbury as the Development Manager of the company.

Mr. Hwozdek joined National Polychemicals in October 1954, having previously been associated with the Air Reduction Company, at Murray Hill, N.J., and Ethicon Suture Laboratories, Inc and Merck & Company. He is a member of the American Chemical Society.

## YOUTH CANTEN BUSINESS MEETING

The Wilmington Youth Canteen Inc. will hold the monthly business meeting at the Canteen, Thursday, December 11 at 8 p.m. All adult members are requested to attend.

A special award to thanks is due Mr Winston Fairfield and young Winston for their many hours of work on the installation of the new Canteen heating system. Thanks also to Mr Robert McCabe and the members of his heating committee for all the work hours they donated.

The Canteen is now open every Friday and Saturday night from 7 to 11 pm.

Members of the Youth Canteen who wish to join the Roller Skating party to be held at the Hi-Hat in Lowell should sign up this coming weekend at the Canteen.

## PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

A meeting of the parents and teachers of the Center, Buzzel and Swain schools will be held in the large cafeteria in the High School on Monday, Dec. 15 at 8 p.m. for the purpose of forming an organization.

Principals Robert Barrett and Anthony DeLuca, together with a group of teachers, will be on hand to represent the school. All parents of youngsters

enrolled in these schools are urged to attend.

It is hoped that an organization similar to that formed Monday in the Junior and Senior High School will be set up here to bring about a closer parent-teacher relationship and help solve any local school problems.

Refreshments will be served during the social period following the meeting.

## WILMINGTON MAY RESUME GAMES WITH BILLERICA

Inter School sports, between Wilmington and Billerica may be resumed, as the result of a decision by the School Committee, last Thursday.

Larry Cushing, Athletic Director of the Wilmington Public Schools advised the committee by letter that an Athletic League will be made up, for the 'greater Lowell' area, and that if Wilmington will contract to play with Billerica, and Dracut with North Andover the league will be a possibility.

Cushing stated that Coach Lamson, of Billerica has been doing good work with the Billerica boys, in recent years. The Wilmington-Billerica games were cancelled a few years ago because of an incident after a basketball game.

## SCHOOL VACATION STARTS DECEMBER 23RD

The annual Christmas vacation for the public schools will start at noon, Dec. 23rd, and will continue until January 5th.

The school calendar, for the remainder of the school year, will have the Winter Vacation from Feb 22nd to Feb 28th, a day off on Good Friday, March 27th, Spring Vacation April 19 to 25, and the closing day of school on June 19, 1959.

## TEACHERS RESIGN

Mrs. Edith P. Christophopolis, teacher in the Wildwood School, and Mrs. Kenneth Kelley, primary teacher have submitted resignations to the School Department, effective Jan. 5.

Both resignations were accepted, with the regret of the department.



## MISS ALICE MCCARTHY TO SEE CONSISTORY

Miss Alice McCarthy, High School teacher, and Girls' Coach in Basketball was one of the passengers in the planes which left Boston yesterday, with the party of Richard Cardinal Cushing, for Rome.

Miss McCarthy, who has two brothers in the priesthood, will visit her brother the Rev Martin McCarthy, Papal Astronomer, at the Castel Gondolfo, in Rome. Father McCarthy began his duties in Rome last August, after three years of study in the leading observatories of the United States.

The Rev. John McCarthy, S.J., who was ordained last summer, is also a brother of Miss McCarthy.

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